

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Notice Requirements

Current national specialty certification is required for continued approval to practice in Alabama as an Advanced Practice Nurse. If you continue to practice as an Advanced Practice Nurse after the effective dates on your APN card, your RN license and APN status will be subject to disciplinary action.

The Alabama Board of Nursing requires **official verification (primary source)** of your recertification in writing from the national specialty certification organization.

Alabama Administrative Code for Nursing 610-X-9-.06 Notice Requirements.

- (1) Certified registered nurse anesthetists, as defined by statute and regulation, shall submit to the board, immediately upon receipt:
 - (a) Evidence of current national certification by the Council on Certification of Nurse Anesthetists, or recertification from the Council on Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists.
 - (i) Upon successful completion of the initial certification examination.
 - (ii) At the time of renewal of advanced practice approval.
 - (iii) Upon recertification by the Council.
- (2) Failure to provide evidence of current national certification prior to the expiration of existing certification on file with the Board shall result in lapse of approval to practice as a certified registered nurse anesthetist and may result in disciplinary action pursuant to Chapter 610-X-8.
- (3) The Board's notice to the advanced practice nurse for approval to practice may be:
 - (a) A letter or notice granting provisional approval.
 - (b) An advanced practice wallet card that reflects the expiration date of the registered nurse license card or the expiration date of the national certification, whichever occurs first.
- (4) Failure to submit evidence to the Board of meeting the requirements of Chapter 610-X-9, as applicable, shall result in lapse of the advanced practice approval.

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